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## NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD AGENDA ITEM

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SUBJECT: Retirement Resolution - Thomas R. Hansen **JUNE, 2007 BOARD MEETING** FOR: TO BE PRESENTED BY: Scott Hassett SUMMARY: Thomas R. Hansen will retire May 4, 2007 after almost 35 years of service to the citizens of the state of Wisconsin. RECOMMENDATION: Adopt Retirment Resolution for Thomas R. Hansen **LIST OF ATTACHED MATERIALS:** Attached Fiscal Estimate Required **Environmental Assessment or Impact Statement Required** Attached Attached **Background Memo** Date Administrator, Date Secretary, Scott Hassett Date

cc: Laurie J. Ross - AD/5

## Retirement Resolution

Thomas R. Hansen retired from the Department of Natural Resources on May 4, 2007, after working almost 35 years with the Department of Natural Resources of which 33 years were serving as a Conservation Warden.

Tom began his career with the Department of Natural Resources on May 22, 1972 as a Limited Term Employee (LTE) with the Environmental Protection section for the Northwest District at Spooner until April 15, 1973, when he began full time employment with the Department as a Solid Waste Specialist at Spooner

Tom left his work as Solid Waste Specialist and accepted a position as a Wisconsin Conservation Warden on January 7, 1974.

After successful completion of the warden-training program, Tom's first permanent station as a Conservation Warden was in Winnebago County at Oshkosh on May 1, 1975. On September 9, 1979, Tom transferred to Waushara County as a Conservation Warden. While serving in these two stations, Tom diligently carried out his responsibilities as a warden, working as part of the Lake Michigan District's Oshkosh Area. This work included many hours working the famous Fox River and Wolf River walleye and sturgeon fish runs each spring, inland trout enforcement, the waterfowl and goose seasons each fall and the winter sturgeon spearing season on Lake Winnebago.

On June 22, 1987, Tom was promoted to Warden Supervisor at Green Bay for the Green Bay Area of the Lake Michigan District. In January 1997, Tom moved to the position of Warden Supervisor of the Regional Operations Team in Green Bay for the new Northeast Region where he remained until his retirement. As a Warden Supervisor, Tom was an active participant on teams involved with Recruit Warden training and rewriting Wisconsin's commercial fishing laws and the Law Enforcement Handbook policies. Also, Tom was the Wisconsin representative on the LE Sub-committee for the Great Lakes Fisheries Commission, LE representative on the Great Lakes Study Committee of the Conservation Congress, and LE representative on the DNR Lake Michigan Fisheries Team.

**WHEREAS,** Thomas R. Hansen has served the people of the State of Wisconsin faithfully and well in the performance of duties and has thus earned the commendation due an exemplary public employee;

**NOW, THEREFORE,** the Natural Resources Board at its June 2007 meeting at Waukesha, Wisconsin, recognizes such faithful service with due respect and gratitude, and hereby makes this commendation a part of its official records.

Natural Resources Board

Christine L. Thomas, CHAIR